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THE TEACHER CENTER

Teacher Centers are operationally defined as follows:

The Teacher Center is any site operated by a local educational agency (or a combination of such agencies) which serves teachers, from public and nonpublic schools of a state, or an area or community within a state, in which teachers, with the assistance of such consultants and experts as may be necessary, may:

- A. Develop and produce curricula designed to meet the educational needs of the persons in the community, area, or state being served, including the use of educational research findings or new or improved methods, practices, and techniques in the development of such curricula; and
- B. Provide training to improve the skills of teachers to enable such teachers to meet better the special educational needs of persons such teachers serve, and to familiarize such teachers with developments in curriculum development and educational research, including the manner in which the research can be used to improve their teaching skills.*



*Higher Education Act of I965, as amended by section I53 of the Education Amendment of I976, P.L. 94-482.

ILLINOIS TEACHER CENTER GOALS

To provide an avenue for teacher to teacher exchange of knowledge and ideas, thereby assisting teachers to generate effective communication, involvement and interpersonal skills with colleagues, students, and school constituencies.

To enable teachers to develop a personal teaching style compatible with both their own and their school's philosophy, and the learners' styles.

To provide teachers with expertise to design, organize, and maintain physical environments that are conducive to learning and appropriate to the grade level or subject matter.

To assist teachers in the selection and utilization of diverse teaching strategies and models, e.g., concept development, inductive procedures, nondirective teaching.

To provide teachers with specialized techniques to assess, develop, and/or procure support services necessary to improve instructional performance including community volunteers, audio-visual services, and diagnostic procedures.

To assist teachers in ascertaining the effectiveness of instructional processes by analyzing objective data on teacher and student behavior.

To encourage teachers to plan, develop, implement and evaluate individual professional growth.

FEDERAL TEACHER CENTER PROGRM

The Illinois federally funded teacher center is facilitated by the Illinois State Board of Education with the advice of an Advisory Council. The nine-member council is appointed to three-year terms. For further information please contact the teacher center consultant, Educational Innovation and Support Section, Department of Federal and State Grants, Illinois State Board of Education.

TEACHER CENTERS IN ILLINOIS

Teacher centers in Illinois include 27 identified, recognized centers funded by various sources throughout the state. These are included within this brochure.

ILLINOIS TEACHER CENTERS

- Arlington Heights Teacher Center Ridge Elementary 800 North Ferandez Avenue Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004 312/398-4246
- Belleville Area Teachers' Center Dr. Thomas C. O'Brien
 South 9th Street
 Belleville, Illinois 62221
 618/692-2118
- Chicago Board of Education Resource Center Roy W. Scheid, Coordinator 160 West Wendell Chicago, Illinois 60601 312/641-8348
- *4. Chicago Teacher Center Dr. Jerry Olson Northeastern Illinois University Bryn Mawr at St. Louis Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60625 312/478-2506 or 2507
 - Clinton/Washington County Instructional Materials Center Jim Sprengel Courthouse Carlyle, Illinois 62231 618/526-4214

 Community Unit School District 300 Bill Stepien 405 North 6th Street Dundee, Illinois 60118 312/426-1300

 District Learning Resource Center John Bradbury 1100 West Sunset Woodrow Wilson School Decatur, Illinois 62522 217/424-3250 East St. Louis Teacher Center
Southern Illinois University
Dr. Thomas O'Brien
Box 49
Edwardsville, Illinois 62026
618/692-2118
Center Site
McHenry School
2700 Summit, Room 115
East St. Louis, Illinois

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 9. Education Resource Center Suzanne Ross
 735 West Sheridan Road Chicago, Illinois 60613 312/935-1151

 Macon County Teacher Exchange Mike Williams Woodrow Wilson Center 1100 West Sunset Avenue Decatur, Illiois 62522 217/429-7591

 Maine Township Teacher Learning Center
 Barbara Tafelski
 8357 Harrison Street
 Niles, Illinois 60648
 312/967-6777

 McKinley Park Staff Development Center Joan Morgan Lawton and Adler Joliet, Illinois 60433 815/740-3182

 Multicultural Development Center Dr. Roger Huson LaVon Wilson Lincoln Elementary School 300 South 11th Street Springfield, Illinois 62703 217/525-3028

14. Professional Development Center Dr. Jack Slaybaugh Lee Rank Crete-Monee School District 201 North Street Crete, Illinois 60417 312/672-7215

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 Candy Aussieker, Don Frailey
 Elementary District 12
 1100 North Seventh Street
 Breese, Illinois 62230
 618/526-7128
- 16. School District U-46 Steve Wlodarcyzk
 4 South Gifford Street Elgin, Illinois 60120 312/888-5316
- Southwestern Illinois Teacher Center Dr. Don Baden Building 2, Room 1122-1123 Southern Illinois University -Edwardsville Edwardsville, Illinois 62026 618/692-3474
- 18. Summit Hill School District 161 Teacher Center Steve Pieritz Indian Trail School Frankfort Square Road Frankfort, Illinois 60423 815/469-6993
- 19. Teacher Center Marge Lerch Mary Ellyn Sroce 1602 South Anderson Urbana, Illinois 61801 217/384-3681

20. Teacher Center Thomas O'Brien Wheeling District 21 999 West Dundee Road Wheeling, Illinois 60090 312/537-8270

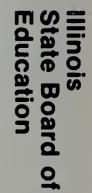
 Teacher Curriculum Work Center Virginia Tate Blaine Hall
 1362 East 59th Street, Room 406 Chicago, Illinois 60615 312/324-9280

- 22. Teacher Reacher Ridge School Charlene Bessey
 650 Ridge Avenue Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007 312/593-4361
- 23. The Connection Lindberg School Larry Zanco 1636 Kristan North Chicago, Illinois 60064 312/689-1155
- 24. The Jewish Teacher Center Fran Albert Betty Katz
 161 Green Bay Road Wilmette, Illinois 60091 312/665-5658
- The Kohl Teacher Center Delores Solovy, David Neustaldt 415 Green Bay Road Wilmette, Illinois 60091 312/256-6056
- 26. The River Buff Teachers' Center Dr. Thomas C. O'Brien Glen Carbon Elementary School Finger Avenue Glen Carbon, Illinois 62026 618/629-2118

 27. The Teacher Center Project Southern Illinois University -Edwardsville Dr. Thomas O'Brien Box 49 Edwardsville, Illinois 62026 618/692-2118

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